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GREET SPRING WITH LILACS!
AT PRICES TO SING ABOUT!

NOW IS THE TIME to get some of these BEAUTIFUL PLANTS - all TOP QUALITY stock -
Offers based on small surplus - LAST ONLY WHILE SURPLUS LASTS - Act NOW !

COLLECTION ONE: Sturdy, 12-18" stock:

CONGO (rich red purple)
LUCIE BALTET (lovely shell-pink)
VESTALE (dazzling white)
These three beautiful plants for only \$3.59

We will add one plant of
PRESIDENT LOUBET (heavy blooming;
rich mauve-red) and send you
Four fine lilacs for only \$4.79

COLLECTION TWO: Something VERY Special!

We send you FOUR DIFFERENT sturdy 12-18"
French Hybrids - Our Choice - All top-
notch varieties - each set of four con-
taining one or two doubles - every set
includes one white - all plants labelled
This set of four plants for the
remarkable price of ONLY \$3.87

None of the varieties in Collection One
are included in this offer - therefore
you can combine these two collections
without getting any duplicates!
ONLY A FEW SETS OF COLLECTION TWO AVAIL-
ABLE - YOU MUST ACT FAST ON THIS ONE!

COLLECTION THREE: Strong 18-24" stock:

1 CONGO, 1 VESTALE, 1 PRES. LOUBET
(See Collection One for descriptions)
These three lovely lilacs for only \$4.88

We will add one French Hybrid,
our choice, labelled, and send you
Four first-class plants for only \$5.88

COLLECTION FOUR: Best 2-2½-3' stock:

We send you three plants:
1 CONGO, 1 PRESIDENT LOUBET and
Your choice of either of these
lilac-pink doubles: WM. ROBINSON or
BELLE DE NANCY
These three splendid plants for only \$6.25

We will add one French Hybrid,
our choice, labelled, and send you
Four handsome lilacs for only \$7.85

COLLECTIONS ONE, TWO and THREE are
MAILABLE. See table of Parcel Post
estimates below. COLLECTION FOUR sent
by EXPRESS only; shipping charges col-
lected on delivery.

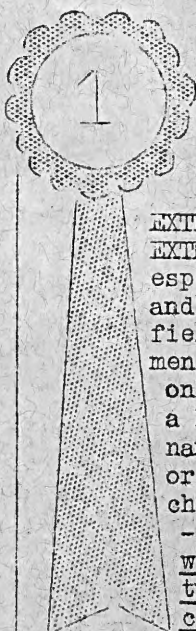
PARCEL POST ESTIMATES - Orders for limited numbers of 12-18"
or 18-24" plants are mailable; also orders for not more than two or three 2-2½'
plants. All other orders shipped Express, shipping charges collected on delivery.
Here is a rough estimate of what to add to your order for postal charges; we refund
any postage not used or bill you for any small balance due when plants are shipped.
All states east of the Mississippi EXCEPT Maine: 1 plant, 60¢; addtnl. plants, 12¢ each
Mississippi to the Rockies AND state of Maine: 1 plant, 75¢; addtnl. plants, 15¢ each
Rocky Mountain & Pacific Coast states: 1 plant, \$1.00; additional plants, 25¢ each



WANT TO SEE OUR LILACS IN BLOOM?

We've always given this information to local customers, but so many people from all parts of the U.S. have dropped in on us from time to time that we think we had better tell **EVERYBODY**. All of our lilacs are grown in and shipped from our nursery, located approximately 50 miles north of Detroit and one mile north of Goodrich, Mich. It is at the corner of State Highway M-15 and Coolidge Road; entrance on Coolidge. If you want to visit us, contact us well in advance and we will let you know when we expect our lilac display to be at its best. After

May 1st send all inquiries direct to Upton Nursery, GOODRICH, Michigan.



BLUE

RIBBON

SPECIALS

EXTRA symmetrical, **EXTRA** bushy plants; especially selected and marked in the field; **REAL** specimen stock. Often only one or two of a kind available; name another size or variety as 2nd choice if possible - but **REMEMBER** - we NEVER substitute without your consent!

CHARLES X (mauve-red single)
4-5' @ \$5.00
CONDORCET (mauve-red double)
2½-3' @ \$3.75
CONGO (rich red-purple)
3-3½' @ \$4.50; 3½-4' @ \$4.75
LUCIE BALTET (shell-pink single)
3-3½' @ \$4.25
3½-4' @ \$4.75
WM. ROBINSON (lilac-pink double)
3-4' @ \$4.50

ADDITIONAL FINE VARIETIES NOW AVAILABLE

Besides

those lilacs listed in our catalog, we can supply: Spectacular Havemeyer origination **GLORY**, huge (and we mean huge) single mauve florets; 12-18" @ \$3.50, 18-24" @ \$4.00, 2-2½' @ \$4.50.....Flesh-pink single **MACROSTACHYA**, 12-18" @ \$2.00; 2-2½' @ \$3.00, 2½-3' @ \$3.50.....Lilac-pink double **MONTAIGNE**, 12-18" @ \$2.00, 18-24" @ \$2.50, 2-2½' @ \$3.00.....Another lovely lilac-pink double, **WALDECK ROUSSEAU**, 12-18" @ \$2.00, 18-24" @ \$2.50.....Deep purple double **PAUL HARIOT**, 12-18" @ \$3.20.....Red-purple single Dilatata Hybrid **PCCOHONTAS**, 12-18" @ \$2.50, 18-24" @ \$3.00, 2-2½' @ \$3.50.....Late Hybrids **BELLICENT** (pink) and **FOUNTAIN** (very pale pink, pendulous clusters) both available in 12-18" @ \$2.50. Also a few scattered plants of French Hybrids **AMI SCHOTT**, **PRES. FALLIERES**, **REAUMUR**, **WHITE SWAN**, **EMILE GENTIL**, **DUC DE MASSA**, **JULES FERRY** & **PRES. POINCARRE**; also Late Hybrids **PRAIRIAL** & **GUINEVERE**.

FOLIAR FEEDING?

On the basis of our present experience, this method has its place in modern gardening. We've had excellent results from Monsanto's **FOLIUM** used on small potted lilacs and young rooted cuttings in hotbeds. Nothing takes the place of humus, and a lilac bush in



your garden showing signs of malnutrition (yellow streaks on the leaves in midsummer, for instance) needs some good compost worked in around the roots, but as a temporary "pick-me-up" foliar feeding might prove helpful. It also should be of use with young transplants not yet well enough established to get all the good out of the soil. Never apply it or any other fertilizer after about August 1st; late applications stimulate fall growth that does not have time to harden properly and may freeze back during winter. Used as directed, **FOLIUM** doesn't burn. Obtain from your local garden supply shop; store in a dry place.